

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
for the  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

**U.S.A. vs. Calvin Travis Lassiter**

**Docket No. 5:16-CR-200-1FL**

**Petition for Action on Supervised Release**

COMES NOW Lakesha H. Wright, U.S. Probation Officer of the court, presenting a petition for modification of the Judgment and Commitment Order of Calvin Travis Lassiter, who, upon an earlier plea of guilty to Possession of a Firearm and Ammunition by a Felon, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 922(g)(1) and 924(a)(2), was sentenced by the Honorable Louise W. Flanagan, U.S. District Judge, on March 9, 2017<sup>1</sup>, to the custody of the Bureau of Prisons for a term of 42 months. It was further ordered that upon release from imprisonment, the defendant be placed on supervised release for a period of 3 years.

Calvin Travis Lassiter was released from custody on May 3, 2019, at which time the term of supervised release commenced.

On August 27, 2019, a Petition for Action was submitted to the court advising that on July 22, 2019, as ordered by the court as a condition of supervised release due to his prior state conviction of Indecent Liberties With a Child, the defendant underwent a psycho-sexual evaluation with sex offender treatment provider, Helen Varnadoe, in Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina. As a result of the evaluation, which concluded on August 18, 2019, Lassiter was recommended to participate in bi-weekly sessions of individual sex offender treatment and abide by additional sex offender-related conditions to meet his specific needs and to aid in his supervision. As such, it was recommended that the defendant's supervised release conditions be modified to include the additional sex offender-related conditions. The court concurred with the recommendation on August 27, 2019.

On October 21, 2019, a Petition for Action was submitted to the court advising that on October 8, 2019, prior to submitting to a polygraph examination, Lassiter admitted to the polygraph examiner that he received and viewed adult videos of a sexual/pornographic nature via his Facebook account. The defendant also subsequently made such admission to the undersigned probation officer. Inasmuch as Lassiter was not prohibited from possessing or viewing pornography as a condition of supervised release, it was recommended that his supervised release conditions be modified accordingly. Additionally, to ensure the defendant's compliance with such condition, it was recommended that Lassiter be ordered to submit to searches/monitoring of his computer and/or computer equipment. The court concurred with the recommendations on October 21, 2019.

**RESPECTFULLY PRESENTING PETITION FOR ACTION OF COURT FOR CAUSE AS FOLLOWS:**

As noted above, on October 21, 2019, Lassiter's supervised release conditions were modified to include a condition wherein he is prohibited from possessing or viewing pornography. On November 13, 2019, during an unannounced home visit, the defendant admitted to the undersigned probation officer that since October 8, 2019, the date of his polygraph examination, he had received and viewed five adult videos of a sexual and pornographic nature via his Facebook messenger account. The undersigned probation officer

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<sup>1</sup> The original Judgment and Commitment Order, which was also entered on March 9, 2017, was amended to reflect removal of the defendant's sex offender registration condition. It is noted that defense counsel filed an objection to the sex offender registration requirement, and at sentencing, the court heard arguments on the issue, but made no ruling. Lassiter is currently registered as a sex offender in Hertford County, North Carolina, pursuant to requirements of the North Carolina Sex Offender and Public Protection Registration Program.

subsequently observed the videos on Lassiter's cellular phone. In response to the defendant's noncompliance, it is respectfully recommended that Lassiter be ordered not to have any social networking accounts without the approval of the U.S. Probation Officer. The defendant signed a Waiver of Hearing agreeing to the proposed modification of supervision. Note: During the home visit, Lassiter deleted the pornographic videos from his cellular phone. Additionally, on November 19, 2019, he provided documentation confirming that his Facebook has been scheduled for permanent deletion and that same shall occur within the next 30 days.

**PRAYING THAT THE COURT WILL ORDER** that supervised release be modified as follows:

1. The defendant shall not have any social networking accounts without the approval of the U.S. Probation Officer.

Except as herein modified, the judgment shall remain in full force and effect.

Reviewed and approved,


I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing  
is true and correct.

/s/ Dwayne K. Benfield  
Dwayne K. Benfield  
Supervising U.S. Probation Officer

/s/ Lakesha H. Wright  
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U.S. Probation Officer  
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Executed On: November 20, 2019

**ORDER OF THE COURT**

Considered and ordered this 22nd day of November, 2019, and ordered filed and made a part of the records in the above case.

  
Louise W. Flanagan  
U.S. District Judge